

## CHAPTER 201

## LICENSURE OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS

[Prior to 3/6/02, see 645—200.3(147) to 645—200.8(147), 645—200.11(272C), and 645—202.3(147) to 645—202.7(147)]

**645—201.1(147) Definitions.** For purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Assistive personnel*” means any person who carries out physical therapy and is not licensed as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant. This definition does not include students as defined in Iowa Code section 148A.3(2).

“*Board*” means the board of physical and occupational therapy examiners.

“*Department*” means the department of public health.

“*Inactive licensee*” means any person licensed to practice physical therapy in Iowa who has met all conditions for officially placing the person’s license on inactive status. An inactive licensee may not practice physical therapy until the reinstatement requirements as defined in these rules are met.

“*Lapsed license*” means a license that a person has failed to renew as required, or the license of a person who failed to meet stated obligations for renewal within a stated time.

“*Licensee*” means any person licensed to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant in the state of Iowa.

“*License expiration date*” means the fifteenth day of the birth month every two years after initial licensure.

“*Licensure by endorsement*” means the issuance of an Iowa license to practice physical therapy to an applicant who is currently licensed in another state.

“*On site*” means:

1. To be continuously on site and present in the department or facility where assistive personnel are performing services;

2. To be immediately available to assist the person being supervised in the services being performed; and

3. To provide continued direction of appropriate aspects of each treatment session in which a component of treatment is delegated to assistive personnel.

“*Physical therapist*” means a person licensed under this chapter to practice physical therapy.

“*Physical therapist assistant*” means a person licensed under this chapter to assist in the practice of physical therapy.

“*PT*” means physical therapist.

“*PTA*” means physical therapist assistant.

“*Reciprocal license*” means the issuance of an Iowa license to practice physical therapy to an applicant who is currently licensed in another state which has a mutual agreement with the Iowa board of physical and occupational therapy examiners to license persons who have the same or similar qualifications to those required in Iowa.

**645—201.2(147) Requirements for licensure.** The following criteria shall apply to licensure:

**201.2(1)** The applicant shall complete a board-approved application packet. Application forms may be obtained from the board’s Web site (<http://www.idph.state.ia.us/licensure>) or directly from the board office. All applications shall be sent to Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy Examiners, Professional Licensure Division, Fifth Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**201.2(2)** The applicant shall complete the application form according to the instructions contained in the application. If the application is not completed according to the instructions, the application will not be reviewed by the board.

**201.2(3)** Each application shall be accompanied by the appropriate fees payable by check or money order to the Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy Examiners. The fees are nonrefundable.

**201.2(4)** No application will be considered by the board until official copies of academic transcripts sent directly from the school to the board of physical and occupational therapy examiners have been received by the board. An applicant shall have successfully completed a physical therapy education program accredited by a national accreditation agency approved by the board.

**201.2(5)** Notification of eligibility for the examination shall be sent to the applicant by the board.

**201.2(6)** The candidate shall have the examination score sent directly from the testing service to the board.

**201.2(7)** Licensees who were issued their initial licenses within six months prior to the renewal date shall not be required to renew their licenses until the renewal date two years later.

**201.2(8)** Incomplete applications that have been on file in the board office for more than two years shall be:

- a. Considered invalid and shall be destroyed; or
- b. Maintained upon written request of the candidate. The candidate is responsible for requesting that the file be maintained.

**645—201.3(147) Requirements for practice prior to licensure.** An applicant who is waiting to take the examination for the first time and will be working in the scope of physical therapy prior to licensure must have completed the educational and experience requirements for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant.

**201.3(1) Applicant physical therapist.** An applicant:

- a. Shall make application for licensure;
  - b. Shall include the name of the licensed physical therapist who will provide supervision of the applicant until the applicant is licensed;
  - c. Shall practice only under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist(s) for a period not to exceed six months in the case of licensure by examination;
  - d. May, during this time, evaluate, plan treatment programs, and provide periodic reevaluation only under on-site supervision of a licensed physical therapist who shall bear full responsibility for care provided by the applicant;
  - e. Shall have all physical therapy records cosigned by the supervising licensed physical therapist; and
  - f. Shall notify the board, within seven days, of any change in supervision.
- An applicant who fails the licensing examination shall not practice as an applicant physical therapist.

**201.3(2) Applicant physical therapist assistant.** An applicant:

- a. Shall make application for licensure;
- b. Shall include the name of the licensed physical therapist who will provide supervision of the applicant until the applicant is licensed;
- c. May practice under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist for a period not to exceed six months in the case of licensure by examination;
- d. May, during this time, perform physical therapy procedures as delegated by the supervising physical therapist only under on-site supervision;
- e. Shall have all physical therapy records cosigned by the supervising licensed physical therapist; and
- f. Shall notify the board, within seven days, of any change in supervision.

An applicant who fails the examination shall not practice as an applicant physical therapist assistant.

**645—201.4(147) Examination requirements for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.** The following criteria shall apply to the written examination(s):

**201.4(1)** The applicant shall take and pass the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) or other nationally recognized equivalent examination as defined by the board.

**201.4(2)** The applicant shall abide by the following criteria:

*a.* For examinations taken prior to July 1, 1994, satisfactory completion shall be defined as receiving an overall examination score exceeding 1.5 standard deviations below the national average.

*b.* For examinations completed after July 1, 1994, satisfactory completion shall be defined as receiving an overall examination score equal to or greater than the criterion-referenced passing point recommended by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy.

**201.4(3)** Before the board may approve an applicant for testing beyond three attempts, an applicant shall reapply for licensure and shall demonstrate evidence satisfactory to the board of having successfully completed additional clinical training or coursework, or both.

**201.4(4)** Any person who has failed the NPTE or other nationally recognized equivalent examination three or more times shall not be eligible for licensure in Iowa until five years from the date of the last failed examination.

**201.4(5)** The applicant shall be notified by the board in writing of examination results.

**645—201.5(147) Educational qualifications.**

**201.5(1)** The applicant must present proof of meeting the following requirements for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant:

*a. Educational requirements—physical therapists.* Physical therapists shall graduate from a physical therapy program accredited by a national accreditation agency approved by the board.

*b. Educational requirements—physical therapist assistants.* Physical therapist assistants shall graduate from a PTA program accredited by a national accreditation agency approved by the board.

**201.5(2)** Foreign-trained applicants shall:

*a.* Submit an English translation and an equivalency evaluation of their educational credentials by one of the following: Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy, Inc., P.O. Box 25827, Alexandria, VA 22313-9998, telephone (703)684-8406, Web site [www.fccpt.org](http://www.fccpt.org); International Educational Research Foundations, Inc., Credentials Evaluation Service, P.O. Box 3665, Culver City, CA 90231-3665, telephone (310)258-9451, Web site [www.ierf.org](http://www.ierf.org), or E-mail at [info@ierf.org](mailto:info@ierf.org); International Consultants of Delaware, Inc., 109 Barksdale, Professional Center, Newark, DE 19711, telephone (302)737-8715; International Credentialing Associates, Inc., 7245 Bryan Dairy Road, Bryan Dairy Business Park II, Largo, FL 33777, telephone (727)549-8555. The professional curriculum must be equivalent to the Commission of Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education standards. An applicant shall bear the expense of the curriculum evaluation.

*b.* Submit a notarized copy of the certificate or diploma awarded to the applicant from a physical therapy program in the country in which the applicant was educated and provide written proof that the applicant's school of physical therapy education is recognized by its own ministry of education.

*c.* Submit certified proof of proficiency in the English language by achieving a score of at least 560 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) paper examination and a score of at least 200 on the computer examination administered by Educational Testing Services, Inc., P.O. Box 6157, Princeton, NJ 08541-6157. An applicant shall bear the expense of the TOEFL examination. Applicants may be exempt from the TOEFL examination when the native language is English, physical therapy education was completed in a school approved by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), language of instruction in physical therapy was English, language of the textbooks was English, and transcript was in English.

*d.* Submit an official statement from each country's or territory's board of examiners or other regulatory authority regarding the status of the applicant's license, including issue date, expiration date and information regarding any pending or prior investigations or disciplinary action. The applicants shall request such statements from all entities in which they are currently or formerly licensed.

*e.* Submit proof of legal authorization to be employed in a jurisdiction of the United States.

*f.* Receive a final determination from the board regarding the application for licensure.

**645—201.6(272C) Supervision requirements.**

**201.6(1)** Physical therapist supervisor responsibilities. The supervisor shall:

*a.* Provide supervision to a PTA;

*b.* Provide on-site supervision or supervision by telecommunication as long as the physical therapy services are rendered in accordance with the minimum frequency standards set forth in subrule 201.6(4);

*c.* Assume responsibility for all delegated tasks and shall not delegate a service which exceeds the expertise of the PTA;

*d.* Provide evaluation and development of a treatment plan for use by the PTA;

*e.* Supervise not more than two PTAs who are providing physical therapy per calendar day, including supervision by telecommunication;

*f.* Maintain timely records which indicate the names of the PTAs for whom the PT has supervisory responsibility;

*g.* Ensure that a PTA under the PT's supervision has a current license to practice as a PTA;

*h.* Ensure that an applicant under the PT's supervision has a current application on file before starting employment; and

*i.* Ensure that the signature of a PTA or PT on a physical therapy treatment record indicates that the physical therapy services were provided in accordance with the rules and regulations for practicing as a PT or PTA.

**201.6(2)** The following are functions that only a physical therapist may provide and cannot be delegated to a PTA:

*a.* Interpretation of referrals;

*b.* Initial physical therapy evaluation and reevaluations;

*c.* Identification, determination or modification of patient problems, goals, and care plans;

*d.* Final discharge evaluation and establishment of the discharge plan;

*e.* Assurance of the qualifications of all assistive personnel to perform assigned tasks through written documentation of their education or training that is maintained and available at all times;

*f.* Delegation of and instruction in the services to be rendered by the PTA or other assistive personnel including, but not limited to, specific tasks or procedures, precautions, special problems, and contraindicated procedures; and

*g.* Timely review of documentation, reexamination of the patient and revision of the plan when indicated.

**201.6(3)** Supervision of other assistive personnel. PTs are responsible for patient care provided by assistive personnel under their supervision. Physical therapy aides and other assistive personnel shall not provide independent patient care unless each of the following standards is satisfied:

*a.* The supervising PT has physical participation in the patient's treatment or evaluation, or both, each treatment day;

*b.* The assistive personnel may provide independent patient care only while under the on-site supervision of the supervising PT;

c. Documentation made in physical therapy records by unlicensed assistive personnel shall be cosigned by the supervising PT; and

d. The PT provides periodic reevaluation of assistive personnel's performance in relation to the patient.

**201.6(4)** The PT must provide patient evaluation and participate in treatment based upon the health care admission or residency status of the patient being treated. A PT may not delegate to the PTA the authority to provide more than the following:

<u>Patient's Health Care Residency or Admission Status</u>	<u>Maximum of Physical Therapist Delegation (whichever comes first)</u>
Hospital, acute care	3 visits or 2 consecutive calendar days
Hospital, non-CARF	3 visits or 2 consecutive calendar days
Hospital, CARF-accredited beds	4 visits or 4 consecutive calendar days
Skilled nursing	4 visits or 4 consecutive calendar days
Home health	4 visits or 9 consecutive calendar days
Nursing facility	9 visits or 9 consecutive calendar days
Iowa educational agency	4 visits or 29 consecutive calendar days
Other facility/admissions status	4 visits or 9 consecutive calendar days

Calendar days include weekends and holidays.

**201.6(5)** Physical therapist assistant responsibilities. The physical therapist assistant:

a. Shall provide only those services for which the PTA has the skills necessary to provide the procedures and shall consult the supervising physical therapist if the procedures are believed not to be in the best interest of the patient;

b. Shall gather data relating to the patient's disability, but not interpret the data as it pertains to the plan of care;

c. Shall communicate any change, or lack of change, which occurs in the patient's condition and which may need the assessment of the PT;

d. Shall provide physical therapy services only under the supervision of the physical therapist;

e. Shall provide treatment only after evaluation and development of a treatment plan by the physical therapist;

f. Shall refer inquiries that require interpretation of patient information to the physical therapist;

g. May have on-site or immediate telecommunicative supervision as long as the physical therapy services are rendered in accordance with the minimum frequency standards set forth in subrule 201.6(4); and

h. May receive supervision from any number of physical therapists.

The signature of a PTA on a physical therapy treatment record indicates that the physical therapy services were provided in accordance with the rules and regulations for practicing as a PTA.

**201.6(6)** Other assistive personnel. Physical therapy aides and other assistive personnel may assist a PTA in providing patient care in the absence of a PT only if the PTA maintains in-sight supervision of the physical therapy aide or other assistive personnel and the PTA is primarily and significantly involved in that patient's care.

#### **645—201.7(147) Licensure by endorsement.**

**201.7(1)** An applicant who has been a licensed PT or PTA under the laws of another jurisdiction shall file an application for licensure by endorsement with the board office. The board may receive by endorsement any applicant from the District of Columbia or another state, territory, province or foreign country who:

a. Submits to the board a completed application;

b. Pays the licensure fee;

- c. Shows evidence of licensure requirements that are similar to those required in Iowa;
- d. Submits a copy of the scores from the appropriate professional examination to be sent directly from the examination service to the board;
- e. Provides official copies of the academic transcripts sent directly from the school to the board; and
- f. Provides verification(s) of license from every state sent directly from the state to the board office.

**201.7(2)** In addition to the requirements of 201.7(1), a physical therapist applicant shall:

- a. Have completed 80 hours of board-approved continuing education during the immediately preceding two-year period; or
- b. Have practiced as a licensed physical therapist for a minimum of 2,080 hours during the immediately preceding two-year period; or
- c. Have served the equivalent of one year as a full-time faculty member teaching physical therapy in an accredited school of physical therapy for at least one of the immediately preceding two years; or
- d. Have successfully passed the examination within a period of one year from the date of examination to the time application is completed for licensure.

Any person who has failed the NPTE or other nationally recognized equivalent examination three or more times shall not be eligible for licensure by endorsement for five years from the date of the last failed examination.

**201.7(3)** In addition to the requirements of 201.7(1), a physical therapist assistant applicant shall:

- a. Have completed 20 hours of board-approved continuing education during the immediately preceding two-year period; or
- b. Have practiced as a licensed physical therapist assistant for a minimum of 2,080 hours during the immediately preceding two-year period; or
- c. Have successfully passed the examination for physical therapist assistants within a period of one year from the date of examination to the time application for licensure is completed.

**201.7(4)** Individuals who were issued their licenses by endorsement within six months of the license renewal date will not be required to renew their licenses until the next renewal two years later.

**201.7(5)** An applicant for licensure under subrule 201.7(1) must include with this application a sworn statement of previous physical therapy practice from an employer or professional associate, detailing places and dates of employment and verifying that the applicant has practiced physical therapy at least 2,080 hours or taught as the equivalent of a full-time faculty member for at least one of the immediately preceding years during the last two-year time period.

**201.7(6)** Requirements for practice prior to licensure. An applicant who will be working in the scope of physical therapy prior to licensure shall include on the application form the name(s) of the licensed PT(s) who will be providing supervision of the applicant until the applicant is licensed. This supervision shall last for no longer than three months. In the event that there is a change of the licensed PT(s) providing supervision, the applicant shall submit the name(s) of the therapist(s) to the board in writing within seven days after the change in supervision takes place.

**645—201.8(147) Licensure by reciprocal agreement.** The board may enter into a reciprocal agreement with the District of Columbia or any state, territory, province or foreign country with equal or similar requirements for licensure of physical therapists or physical therapist assistants.

**645—201.9(147) License renewal.**

**201.9(1)** The biennial license renewal period for a license to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant shall begin on the sixteenth day of the birth month and end on the fifteenth day of the birth month two years later. All licensees shall renew on a biennial basis.

**201.9(2)** A renewal of license application and continuing education report form to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant shall be mailed to the licensee at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the license. Failure to receive the renewal application shall not relieve the license holder of the obligation to pay the biennial renewal fees on or before the renewal date.

*a.* The licensee shall submit the completed application and continuing education report form with the renewal fee to the board office before the license expiration date.

*b.* Individuals who were issued their initial licenses within six months of the license renewal date will not be required to renew their licenses until the next renewal two years later.

*c.* Those persons licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of their licenses. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used. The new licensee will be required to complete a minimum of 40 hours of continuing education for physical therapists and 20 hours of continuing education for physical therapist assistants per biennium for each subsequent license renewal.

*d.* Persons licensed to practice as physical therapists or physical therapist assistants shall keep their renewal licenses displayed in a conspicuous public place at the primary site of practice.

**201.9(3)** Late renewal. If the renewal fees, continuing education report and renewal application are received within 30 days after the license renewal expiration date, the late fee for failure to renew before expiration is charged.

**201.9(4)** When all requirements for license renewal are met, the licensee shall be sent a license renewal card by regular mail.

**645—201.10(272C) Exemptions for inactive practitioners.**

**201.10(1)** Application for exemption. A licensee who is not engaged in practice in the state of Iowa may be granted a waiver of compliance and obtain a certificate of exemption upon written application to the board. The application shall contain a statement that the applicant will not engage in practice in the state of Iowa without first complying with all regulations governing reinstatement after exemption. The application for a certificate of exemption shall be submitted upon the form provided by the board. A licensee must hold a current license to apply for exempt status. The licensee shall apply for inactive status prior to the license expiration date.

**201.10(2)** Reinstatement of exempted, inactive practitioners. Inactive practitioners who have requested and been granted a waiver of compliance with the renewal requirements and who have obtained a certificate of exemption shall, prior to engaging in the practice of the profession in Iowa, satisfy the requirements for reinstatement as outlined in 645—203.9(148A,272C).

**201.10(3)** Licensees shall renew at the next scheduled renewal time. Licensees who were issued their reinstated licenses within six months prior to the renewal shall not be required to renew their licenses until the renewal date two years later.

**201.10(4)** A new licensee who is on inactive status during the initial license renewal time period and reinstates before the first license expiration date will not be required to complete continuing education for that first license renewal time period only. Hours of continuing education will be required for every renewal thereafter.

**201.10(5)** Reinstatement of inactive license after exemption. The following charts illustrate the requirements for reinstatement based on the length of time a license has been inactive.

*a.* Requirements for physical therapists:

An applicant shall satisfy the following requirements:	1 renewal	2 renewals	3 or more renewals
Submit written application for reinstatement to the board	Required	Required	Required
Pay the current renewal fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Pay the reinstatement fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Submit verifications from the District of Columbia and each state, country or territory in which the applicant has been or is currently licensed since putting the license on inactive status	Required	Required	Required
Furnish evidence of current full-time practice in another state of the United States or District of Columbia and completion of continuing education OR Furnish evidence of completion of approved continuing education OR Furnish evidence of successful completion of the professional examination required for initial licensure completed within one year prior to submission of application for reinstatement	40 hours  40 hours  Successful completion of examination	80 hours  80 hours  Successful completion of examination	120 hours  120 hours  Successful completion of examination
Total fees and continuing education hours required for reinstatement:	\$100 and 40 hours	\$100 and 80 hours	\$100 and 120 hours

*b.* Requirements for physical therapist assistants:

An applicant shall satisfy the following requirements:	1 renewal	2 renewals	3 or more renewals
Submit written application for reinstatement to the board	Required	Required	Required
Pay the current renewal fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Pay the reinstatement fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Submit verifications from the District of Columbia and each state, country or territory in which the applicant has been or is currently licensed since putting the license on inactive status	Required	Required	Required
Furnish evidence of current full-time practice in another state of the United States or District of Columbia and completion of continuing education OR Furnish evidence of completion of approved continuing education OR Furnish evidence of successful completion of the professional examination required for initial licensure completed within one year prior to submission of application for reinstatement	20 hours  20 hours  Successful completion of examination	40 hours  40 hours  Successful completion of examination	60 hours  60 hours  Successful completion of examination
Total fees and continuing education hours required for reinstatement:	\$100 and 20 hours	\$100 and 40 hours	\$100 and 60 hours

**645—201.11(272C) Lapsed licenses.**

**201.11(1)** If the renewal fees and continuing education report are received more than 30 days after the license expiration date, the license is lapsed. An application for reinstatement must be filed with the board accompanied by the reinstatement fee, the renewal fees for each biennium the license is lapsed and the late fee for failure to renew before expiration. The licensee may be subject to an audit of the licensee's continuing education report.

**201.11(2)** Licensees who have not fulfilled the requirements for license renewal or for an exemption in the required time frame will have a lapsed license and shall not engage in the practice of physical therapy or physical therapist assistant. Practicing without a license may be cause for disciplinary action.

**201.11(3)** In order to reinstate a lapsed license, the licensee shall comply with all requirements for reinstatement as outlined in 645—203.5(148A).

**201.11(4)** After reinstatement of the lapsed license, the licensee shall renew at the next scheduled renewal cycle and complete the continuing education required for the biennium.

**201.11(5)** Verifications of license(s) are required from any state in which the licensee has practiced since the Iowa license lapsed.

**201.11(6)** Reinstatement of a lapsed license. The following charts illustrate the requirements for reinstatement based on the length of time a license has lapsed.

a. Requirements for physical therapists:

An applicant shall satisfy the following requirements:	30 days after expiration date up to 1 renewal	2 renewals	3 or more renewals
Submit written application for reinstatement	Required	Required	Required
Pay the renewal fee(s)	\$50	\$100	\$150
Pay the late fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Pay the reinstatement fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Furnish evidence of satisfactory completion of continuing education requirements during the period since the license lapsed OR Furnish evidence of current full-time practice in another state of the United States or District of Columbia and completion of continuing education obtained during the period since the license lapsed OR Furnish evidence of successful completion of the professional examination required for initial licensure completed within one year prior to submission of application for reinstatement	40 hours  40 hours  Successful completion of examination	80 hours  80 hours  Successful completion of examination	120 hours  120 hours  Successful completion of examination
Submit verifications from the District of Columbia and each state, country or territory in which the applicant has been or is currently licensed since the license lapsed	Required	Required	Required
Total fees and continuing education hours required for reinstatement:	\$150 and 40 hours	\$200 and 80 hours	\$250 and 120 hours

*b.* Requirements for physical therapist assistants:

An applicant shall satisfy the following requirements:	30 days after expiration date up to 1 renewal	2 renewals	3 or more renewals
Submit written application for reinstatement	Required	Required	Required
Pay the renewal fee(s)	\$50	\$100	\$150
Pay the late fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Pay the reinstatement fee	\$50	\$50	\$50
Furnish evidence of satisfactory completion of continuing education requirements during the period since the license lapsed OR Furnish evidence of current full-time practice in another state of the United States or District of Columbia and completion of continuing education obtained during the period since the license lapsed OR Furnish evidence of successful completion of the professional examination required for initial licensure completed within one year prior to submission of application for reinstatement	20 hours  20 hours  Successful completion of examination	40 hours  40 hours  Successful completion of examination	60 hours  60 hours  Successful completion of examination
Submit verifications from the District of Columbia and each state, country or territory in which the applicant has been or is currently licensed since the license lapsed	Required	Required	Required
Total fees and continuing education hours required for reinstatement:	\$150 and 20 hours	\$200 and 40 hours	\$250 and 60 hours

**645—201.12(17A,147,272C) License denial.**

**201.12(1)** An applicant who has been denied licensure by the board may appeal the denial and request a hearing on the issues related to the licensure denial by serving a notice of appeal and request for hearing upon the board not more than 30 days following the date of mailing of the notification of licensure denial to the applicant. The request for hearing as outlined in these rules shall specifically describe the facts to be contested and determined at the hearing.

**201.12(2)** If an applicant who has been denied licensure by the board appeals the licensure denial and requests a hearing pursuant to this rule, the hearing and subsequent procedures shall be held pursuant to the process outlined in Iowa Code chapters 17A and 272C.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 17A, 147, 148A and 272C.

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